GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6059
ANSWERED ON:04.05.2000
INDUCTION OF INS ADITYA IN NAVY
MADHAVRAO SCINDIA;SUSHIL KUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether INS-Aditya, an advanced fleet replenishment tanker has joined the Navy`s tanker fleet;

(b) if so, the main features of this tanker; and

(c) the extent to which it helped the Indian Navy to acquire blue water capability?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE

(SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) This is a 24,612 tonnes Replenishment Tanker capable of replenishing Fleet Ships at sea while underway. It also carries helicopters which can be used for vertical replenishment.

(c) The ship can support fleet operations for extended durations and extended ranges.